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REMARKS

This Amendment is responsive to the Office Action issued on November 19, 2007, which re-opened prosecution and rejected all of the claims as anticipated by Linden (U.S. Pub. 2002/012882).

By the foregoing amendments, Applicants have revised independent claims 1 and 55 as discussed during the telephone interview conducted on January 2, 2008. Applicants have also added several new dependent claims, all of which are fully supported by the originally filed specification (see, e.g., paragraphs 0041-0050).

As amended, Applicants respectfully submit that each independent claim recites limitations that are not disclosed by Linden. For example, as discussed during the telephone interview, Linden does not disclose an event history server that implements a “query interface” through which one or more applications retrieve event data associated with particular users “at least by event type and event time of occurrence,” as recited in claims 1 and 55. In addition, Linden does not disclose an event history server that is capable of responding to a query by “identifying particular events that match event criteria included in said query, and by returning the event data for said particular events,” as now recited in claims 1 and 55. Numerous additional distinctions over Linden are recited throughout the dependent claims.

In view of the foregoing, Applicants request that the Examiner withdraw the anticipation rejection.

By focusing on specific claims and claim limitations above, Applicants do not imply an agreement with the statements made in the Office Action regarding other claims and claim limitations. In addition, by amending the claims and pointing out distinctions over Linden, Applicants are not conceding that any previously pending claims are not patentable over Linden or the other art of record. Rather, the amendments and remarks are being made to facilitate expeditious prosecution of this application. Applicants reserve the right to pursue at a later date any previously pending or other broader or narrower claims that capture any subject matter supported by the application’s disclosure. Accordingly, reviewers of this or any child or related prosecution history shall not reasonably infer that the Applicants have made any disclaimers or disavowals of any subject matter.

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If any issues remain which can potentially be resolved by telephone, the Examiner is invited to call the undersigned attorney of record at his direct dial number listed below.

Respectfully submitted,

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